



Announcing the Commission on Health and Safety and Workers' Compensation "Forum on Catastrophe Preparedness: Partnering to Protect Workplaces"

South San Francisco Conference Center
255 So. Airport Blvd., South San Francisco, CA
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This forum is sponsored by the California Commission on Health and Safety and Workers' Compensation (CHSWC), a labor-management Commission created by the 1993 workers' compensation reform legislation. The Commission was established to oversee the health, safety and workers' compensation systems in California and recommend administrative or legislative modifications to improve their operation. Recognizing that employers and workers should be prepared if a catastrophe strikes at the workplace, the Commission voted to host a public education program devoted to workplace safety in the event of terrorist attacks and natural disasters. CHSWC developed this forum to provide an opportunity for the health, safety and workers' compensation communities and the public to discuss and share ideas for safety in responding to terrorist attacks and natural disasters, learn lessons from other experiences, as well as consider areas where improvements need to be made.

One hundred years after the catastrophic earthquake of 1906, earthquake risk and the risk of other catastrophes including terrorism continue to loom large for Californians and the nation. And as we have learned from September 11, the risk of a catastrophe while people are at work and the risks to the workers who respond require the urgent attention of employers, workers and policymakers. This conference will bring together leaders in homeland security, emergency response, and occupational safety and health to discuss individual, worker and employer preparedness for catastrophic risks.

Presented in cooperation with California Labor and Workforce Development Agency, California Department of Industrial Relations, Division of Occupational Safety and Health Cal/OSHA, RAND Corporation and The Center for Occupational and Environmental Health, University of California, Berkeley



CONTINUING EDUCATION

Nurses

COEH Continuing Education Program is approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing, Provider Number 12983. This course approved for 9.3 contact hours.

Industrial Hygienists:

ABIH approval for 1.0 IH CM point has been applied for.

Safety Professionals:

This course meets BCSP criteria for 0.5 COC point.

South San Francisco Conference Center

The South San Francisco Conference Center is centrally located just one mile north of San Francisco International Airport, 15 minutes from downtown San Francisco, on the edge of the Bay Area's biotech center and just a few miles from the Silicon Valley.

255 South Airport Boulevard
South San Francisco, CA 94080

Hotels:

Out of town guests of the South San Francisco Conference Center have easy access to a wide range of accommodations to meet the needs of any event, conference, convention or meeting.
http://www.ssfconf.com/accommodations/accom_accom.asp

(1) HOLIDAY INN SFO NORTH

275 South Airport Boulevard
South San Francisco, CA 94080
(650) 873-3550

(2) BEST WESTERN GROSVENOR HOTEL

380 South Airport Boulevard
South San Francisco, CA 94080
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(650) 873-3200

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

The forum will cover topics of interest for those charged with the health and safety in the workplaces

- Safety Professionals
- Emergency Responders
- Employers
- Workers
- Insurers

The forum is also focused for those who are looking for ways to facilitate more efficient ways to protect and prepare for natural disasters and terrorist attacks in the workplace:

- Employers
- Insurers and Self-Insurers
- Safety and Human Resource Managers
- Industrial Hygienists
- Nurses

COURSES

The presentations will cover the following:

- Employer & Worker Preparedness for Natural Disasters and Terrorist Attack
- Workers' Protecting the Workplace
- Safety & Health of Emergency Responders in Natural Disasters and Terrorist Attack
- Roles of Agencies in Disaster Preparedness in the Workplace
- Experiences from Different Jurisdictions
- Recommendations for the Future

CONTACT

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The Forum on Catastrophe Preparedness: Partnering to Protect Workplaces is a member of the 1906 Centennial Alliance. The 1906 Centennial Alliance was formed to help coordinate and promote activities between organizations throughout Northern California that are commemorating the 1906 earthquake and that are discussing issues relevant to today. For more information about other educational resources and events in your community, please visit: <http://1906centennial.org/>